

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **HB 2879 - SB 3093**

February 6, 1998

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Among other things, adds certain areas to the enumeration of state natural areas and amends TCA, Section 11-14-108 as follows:

**(1) Adds three new Natural Areas:**

- a. Elsie Quartman Cedar Glade - Class II Natural-Scientific Area, 185 Acres, Rutherford County.
- b. Montgomery Bell - Class II Natural-Scientific Area, 600 acres, Dickson County.
- c. Watauga River Bluffs - Class II Natural Scientific Area, 50 acres, Carter County.

**(2) Expands four existing Natural Areas:**

- a. Grundy Forest - Class I Scenic-Recreational Area, from 212 to 234 acres, Grundy County.
- b. Savage Gulf - Class II Natural -Scientific Area, from 12,500 acres to 15,590, Grundy County.
- c. Piney Falls - Class II Natural -Scientific Area, from 412 to 440, Rhea County.
- d. Vesta Cedar Glade - Class II Natural Scientific Area, from 90 acres to 150 acres, Wilson County.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **MINIMAL**

Acquisition of these areas either in fee or by donation is complete, or is in the process with existing resources. TCA, 11-14-109 requires the Commissioner of Environment and Conservation to have a comprehensive plan of development and protection, and shall have begun the process of acquisition within two years of the addition of an area to the system.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director